

## **Public Notice**

Public Notice No.

Application No. 200600944

Expiration Date: June 4, 2007

Please address all comments to: Nashville District Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Branch (Attn: Maryellen Farmer), 3701 Bell Road, Nashville, TN 37214. Telephone: (615) 369-7517, Fax (615) 369-7501.

## JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

SUBJECT: Proposed Community Dock Facility Expansion and Wave Attenuator in Association with the Development of Rock Harbor Subdivision, Clinch River Mile 124.4R, Norris Lake, Claiborne County, Tennessee

TO ALL CONCERNED: The application described below has been submitted for a Department of the Army Permit pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 1344) and a Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) permit pursuant to Section 26a of the TVA Act.

APPLICANT: Waterfront Group, LLC

Rock Harbor Marina

10511-B Hardin Valley Road Knoxville, Tennessee 37932

LOCATION: Clinch River Mile 124.4R, Norris Lake, Claiborne County, Tennessee. Latitude: 36-21-57.8 Longitude: 83-41-51.5 USGS Topographic Map: Powder Springs, TN

DESCRIPTION: The proposed work consists of the addition of 36 double boat slips holding 72 boats. The applicant was authorized the construction of 54 double boat slips on November 1, 2006. April 24, 2007 an application was received by this office requesting an expansion of the original permit request from 54 double slips to a total of 80 double slips.

The facility would be constructed in phases and its lakeward extension would be approximately 566' from the normal summer pool elevation. Phase One, the main walkway, is existing and is approximately 96' long. This is the only portion of the original permit completed at this time. The subsequent phases are as follows:

- Phase Two: Includes 9-30'x20' dual covered slips and 9-24'20 dual covered slips.
- Phase Three: Includes 18-24'x20' dual covered slips
- Phase Four: Includes 6-36'20' dual covered slips and 6-24'x20' dual covered slips
- Phase Five: Includes 7-30'x20' dual covered slips and 7-24'x20' dual covered slips
- Phase Six: Includes 14-24'x20' dual covered slips.
- Phase Seven: Includes 7-30'x20' dual covered slips and 7-24'x20 dual covered slips.
- Phase Eight: Construction of a 372'x8' floating concrete wave attenuator wall, offset approximately 50' away from the end of the docks.

Construction of subsequent phases of the facility would not begin until the preceding phase reaches 85% occupancy.

The slips, walkways and covered deck ware would be constructed of engineered galvanized steel truss or 3-inch "C" channel frames, composite or concrete decking, galvanized steel uprights and purlins, 26Ga. Steel R-panel roofing, and encapsulated foam floatation. The applicant proposes the construction of these slips in order to provide safe moorage for potential homeowners of the applicant's adjacent ongoing development, Rock Harbor Subdivision.

Plans of the proposed work are attached to this notice.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the work must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the work will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes;

and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

An Environmental Assessment will be prepared by this office prior to a final decision concerning issuance or denial of the requested Department of the Army Permit.

This project is an expansion of a previously permitted action for Public Notice 06-86. Cultural review for the original project was conducted by the Regulatory Branch Archeologist at the Tennessee Division of Archaeology (TN DOA). The Corps determined that no historic properties listed on or eliqible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places will be affected by this The Tennessee SHPO concurred with the Corps findings in project. a letter dated October 4, 2006. As this project is an expansion of a previously permitted action and the cultural review of the project area indicated no archaeological resources would be impacted, no further review of cultural resource impacts is warranted for this project unless comment to this notice is received documenting that significant sites or properties exist which may be affected by this work, or that adequately documents that a potential exists for the location of significant sites or properties within the permit area. Copies of this notice are being sent to the office of the State Historic Preservation Officer.

Based on available information, the proposed work will not destroy or endanger any Federally-listed threatened or endangered species or their critical habitats, as identified under the Endangered Species Act. Therefore, we have reached a no effect determination and initiation of formal consultation procedures with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is not planned at this time. The Service responded to the previous pubic notice by letter dated September 13, 2006, stating that based on their records, it is their belief that there are no federally listed or proposed endangered or threatened plant or animal species in the impact area of the project, and that requirements of Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, are fulfilled.

No significant adverse effects to fish and wildlife, their habitats and human uses thereof are expected to result from the proposed work.

Other federal, state, and/or local approvals required for the proposed work are as follows:

Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) approval under Section 26a of the TVA Act. In addition to other provisions of its approval, TVA would require the applicant to employ best management practices to control erosion and sedimentation, as necessary, to prevent adverse aquatic impacts.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

Written statements received in this office on or before June 4, 2007, will become a part of the record and will be considered in the determination. Any response to this notice should be directed to the Regulatory Branch, Attention:

Maryellen Farmer, at the above address, (615) 369-7517, Fax (615) 369-7501. The email address is

Maryellen.J.Farmer@lrn02.usace.army.mil. It is not necessary to comment separately to TVA since copies of all comments will be sent to that agency and will become part of its record on the proposal. However, if comments are sent to TVA, they should be mailed to Mr. David Harrell, 260 Interchange Park Drive, Lenoir City, Tennessee 37772.

If you received this notice by mail and wish to view all of the diagrams, visit our web site at: <a href="http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil/cof/notices.htm">http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil/cof/notices.htm</a>, or contact Mrs. Farmer at the above address or phone number.





